

## REGION 8 COOPERATIVE BOARD MEETING August 28, 2024

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Region 8 Cooperative Board was held on August 28, 2024.

### Those in attendance were:

CSD	Tori Manzi, Bob Duke, Amelia Grant	(69.62/ea.)
Islesboro		(11.94)
RSU 13	Bill Pearce	(77.82/ea.)
SAD 40	Danny Jackson*, Matthew Speno, Seth Hall	(77.89/ea.)
SAD 7	Jerry White	( 7.49)
SAD 8	Yvonne Thomas*	(24.58)
St. George		(54.68)

Bobby Deetjen, Director; Sherry Moody, Business Mgr.; Joe Blakey, Technology Director; Kristy Hastings, Student Services Coord.; Danica Wooster & J Bakley, Teachers

\*Attended via Zoom

**Absent** – Quixada Moore-Vissing, Loren Andrews, Paul Coster, Chris Polky

1. Chair, Bob Duke, began the reorganization meeting at 6:00 P.M.

**Total weighted votes: 552.41**

### 2. *Nomination and Election of the Board Chair*

MOTION by Manzi, seconded by Hall, to nominate Bob Duke as Board Chair

Action: Bob Duke elected Chair

**Total weighted votes: 552.41**

<b>Andrews(77.82): Absent</b>		<b>Coster (77.82): Absent</b>
<b>Duke(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Grant(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Hall(77.89): Yes</b>
<b>Jackson(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Manzi(69.61): Yes</b>	<b>Moore-Vissing(77.82): Abs</b>
	<b>Pearce(77.82): Yes</b>	<b>Polky(77.89): Absent</b>
<b>Speno(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Thomas(24.58): Yes</b>	<b>White(7.49): Yes</b>

### 3. *Nomination and Election of the Vice-Chair*

MOTION by Hall, seconded by Manzi, to nominate Matt Speno as Vice-Chair

Action: Matt Speno elected Vice-Chair

**Total weighted votes: 552.41**

<b>Andrews(77.82): Absent</b>		<b>Coster (77.82): Absent</b>
<b>Duke(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Grant(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Hall(77.89): Yes</b>
<b>Jackson(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Manzi(69.61): Yes</b>	<b>Moore-Vissing(77.82): Abs</b>
	<b>Pearce(77.82): Yes</b>	<b>Polky(77.89): Absent</b>
<b>Speno(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Thomas(24.58): Yes</b>	<b>White(7.49): Yes</b>

### 4. *Nomination of Board Secretary*

MOTION by White, seconded by Hall, to nominate Bobby Deetjen as Secretary

Action: Bobby Deetjen elected as Secretary

**Total weighted votes: 552.41**

<b>Andrews(77.82): Absent</b>		<b>Coster (77.82): Absent</b>
<b>Duke(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Grant(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Hall(77.89): Yes</b>
<b>Jackson(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Manzi(69.61): Yes</b>	<b>Moore-Vissing(77.82): Abs</b>
	<b>Pearce(77.82): Yes</b>	<b>Polky(77.89): Absent</b>
<b>Speno(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Thomas(24.58): Yes</b>	<b>White(7.49): Yes</b>

*5. Nomination and Election of the Chair of Finance Committee*

MOTION by Manzi, seconded by Hall, to nominate Matt Speno as Chair of Finance Committee

Action: Matt Speno elected Chair of Finance Committee

**Total weighted votes: 552.41**

<b>Andrews(77.82): Absent</b>		<b>Coster (77.82): Absent</b>
<b>Duke(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Grant(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Hall(77.89): Yes</b>
<b>Jackson(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Manzi(69.61): Yes</b>	<b>Moore-Vissing(77.82): Abs</b>
	<b>Pearce(77.82): Yes</b>	<b>Polky(77.89): Absent</b>
<b>Speno(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Thomas(24.58): Yes</b>	<b>White(7.49): Yes</b>

*6. Reorganization of Committees – Appointments*

Action: Committee appointments to be finalized at the September board meeting

*7. Designation of Depositories*

MOTION by White, seconded by Hall, to continue to use the banking services of the First National Bank

Action: Motion Passed

**Total weighted votes: 552.41**

<b>Andrews(77.82): Absent</b>		<b>Coster (77.82): Absent</b>
<b>Duke(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Grant(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Hall(77.89): Yes</b>
<b>Jackson(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Manzi(69.61): Yes</b>	<b>Moore-Vissing(77.82): Abs</b>
	<b>Pearce(77.82): Yes</b>	<b>Polky(77.89): Absent</b>
<b>Speno(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Thomas(24.58): Yes</b>	<b>White(7.49): Yes</b>

*8. Designation of Legal Counsel*

MOTION by White, seconded by Hall, to continue to retain the services of Drummond Woodsum for legal counsel

Action: Motion Passed

**Total weighted votes: 552.41**

<b>Andrews(77.82): Absent</b>		<b>Coster (77.82): Absent</b>
<b>Duke(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Grant(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Hall(77.89): Yes</b>
<b>Jackson(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Manzi(69.61): Yes</b>	<b>Moore-Vissing(77.82): Abs</b>
	<b>Pearce(77.82): Yes</b>	<b>Polky(77.89): Absent</b>
<b>Speno(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Thomas(24.58): Yes</b>	<b>White(7.49): Yes</b>

### 9. Designation of Insurance Agent

MOTION by White, seconded by Hall, to designate Maine School Management Association as Insurance Agent

Action: Motion Passed

**Total weighted votes: 552.41**

<b>Andrews(77.82): Absent</b>		<b>Coster (77.82): Absent</b>
<b>Duke(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Grant(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Hall(77.89): Yes</b>
<b>Jackson(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Manzi(69.61): Yes</b>	<b>Moore-Vissing(77.82): Abs</b>
	<b>Pearce(77.82): Yes</b>	<b>Polky(77.89): Absent</b>
<b>Speno(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Thomas(24.58): Yes</b>	<b>White(7.49): Yes</b>

### 10. Adjournment

MOTION by White, seconded by Hall, to adjourn the Reorganization meeting

Action: Motion Passed

**Total weighted votes: 552.41**

<b>Andrews(77.82): Absent</b>		<b>Coster (77.82): Absent</b>
<b>Duke(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Grant(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Hall(77.89): Yes</b>
<b>Jackson(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Manzi(69.61): Yes</b>	<b>Moore-Vissing(77.82): Abs</b>
	<b>Pearce(77.82): Yes</b>	<b>Polky(77.89): Absent</b>
<b>Speno(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Thomas(24.58): Yes</b>	<b>White(7.49): Yes</b>

The reorganization meeting adjourned at 6:08 PM.

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Bob Duke, Chair, opened the regular meeting at 6:08 P.M. **Total weighted votes: 552.41**

**PUBLIC COMMENT – None**

**ADJUSTMENTS – None**

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION by White, seconded by Hall, to approve the minutes of the regular June 26<sup>th</sup> board meeting

Motion approved

**Total weighted votes: 552.41**

<b>Andrews(77.82): Absent</b>		<b>Coster (77.82): Absent</b>
<b>Duke(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Grant(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Hall(77.89): Yes</b>
<b>Jackson(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Manzi(69.61): Yes</b>	<b>Moore-Vissing(77.82): Abs</b>
	<b>Pearce(77.82): Yes</b>	<b>Polky(77.89): Absent</b>
<b>Speno(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Thomas(24.58): Yes</b>	<b>White(7.49): Yes</b>

### **SUMMER HIRING UPDATE**

Bobby reported he hired Mike Simmons as our new Auto Collision instructor. He has a great reputation in the industry and has jumped right in to the position. Joe Blakey was hired as our new Tech Director. Joe

was present and spoke to the board about his background in technology sales and service. Bobby spoke about some of the projects that Joe has accomplished this summer. Bobby reported we had an Educational Technician resign and we are currently looking to fill this position as well. We are currently looking for a van/bus driver, lunch monitor and custodian.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **FINANCE**

#### **Warrants and Budget**

Matt reported the committee met and reviewed the warrants for June, July and August and the June 30<sup>th</sup> financial report.

MOTION by Speno, seconded by Hall, to accept and approve the warrants for June, July and August and budget report for June. Matt reported the new Tech Director is currently conducting an audit of our technology software and equipment.

Motion approved

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<b>Andrews(77.82): Absent</b>		<b>Coster (77.82): Absent</b>
<b>Duke(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Grant(69.62): Yes</b>	<b>Hall(77.89): Yes</b>
<b>Jackson(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Manzi(69.61): Yes</b>	<b>Moore-Vissing(77.82): Abs</b>
	<b>Pearce(77.82): Yes</b>	<b>Polky(77.89): Absent</b>
<b>Speno(77.89): Yes</b>	<b>Thomas(24.58): Yes</b>	<b>White(7.49): Yes</b>

### **PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

Tori reported the committee met to discuss a change to the PLCSS plan. Currently teachers do a three year review and the plan changes call for a new professional development plan affecting teachers after their thirteenth year. The revised PLCSS plan will come before the board next month. Tori also advised that the committee will be revising the Director Evaluation plan and process.

### **DIRECTOR UPDATE**

Bobby reported today was our first staff development day. There was a lot of training the first day back. Students will return on Wednesday after Labor Day. Bryson Mattox finished 3<sup>rd</sup> at the SkillsUSA national competition in Refinishing Technology.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Bob declared the meeting adjourned at 6:24 PM.

Next Board Meeting: September 25, 2024

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Robert Deetjen, Board Secretary